



*Executive Department
State of Idaho*

*The Office of the Governor
Proclamation*

*State Capitol
Boise*

WHEREAS, Idaho is home to more than 158,000 citizens aged 65 or older, and another 58,000 aged 60 to 64; and

WHEREAS, the older citizens of Idaho are a vital and valuable part of our nation's demographic makeup; and

WHEREAS, the older citizens of Idaho have made important and lasting contributions to our state; and

WHEREAS, the older citizens of Idaho have contributed time, experience, and self-sacrificing effort to the building of Idaho's resources and communities; and

WHEREAS, Idaho appreciates the efforts of these older citizens as the foundation for our continued excellence in prosperity, culture, and humanity; and

WHEREAS, our society is dependent upon intergenerational cooperation and support, and benefits from the collective efforts of older citizens and the people who love them;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2005, to be

OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

in Idaho, and I call upon all citizens to recognize the contributions of our older citizens, understand and address their evolving needs, and support them and their families.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this twenty-first day of April in the year of our Lord two-thousand and five and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-ninth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred fifteenth.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Dirk Kempthorne", is written over a horizontal line.

**DIRK KEMPTHORNE
GOVERNOR**

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Devin Isurua", is written over a horizontal line.

**DEVIN ISURUA
SECRETARY OF STATE**